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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

Programme of work

Peace and security in Africa

Other matters

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999) and 1989 (2011) concerning Al-Qaida and associated individuals and entities

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of April 2012 (United States) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 3 April 2012, at *11.40 a.m.* in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of April, *today*, 3 April 2012, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast.

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General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal meeting of the plenary (closed) on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, will take place on Tuesday, 10 April 2012 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the Chair, dated 26 March 2012, was sent to all Permanent Representatives. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

The special meeting, to establish the list of speakers for the debate in the plenary of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held from Wednesday, 20, to Friday, 22 June 2012, in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/197 of 22 December 2011, *has been postponed* to Friday, 20 April 2012, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Delegations who have not yet submitted their request for inscription on the list of speakers are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible,* their level of participation, *in writing*, and hand-delivered to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room IN-0613A). For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of National Security Personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for National Security Personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *Friday, 25 May 2012*. From Monday, 4 June 2012 onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Interactive Dialogue on "Fighting Human Trafficking: Partnership and Innovation to End Violence against Women and Girls"[1]

Opening

10 a.m. . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Interactive panel discussion 1: "Protecting the victims of trafficking: Partnerships and innovation"

11 a.m. . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Co-Chairs:

H.E. Mr. Libran Cabactulan, Permanent Representative of the Philippines

H.E. Mr. José Filipe Moraes Cabral, Permanent Representative of Portugal

Interactive panel discussion 2: "Assistance to the victims of trafficking: The role of governments, international organizations, private sector and civil society"

3 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Co-Chairs:

H.E. Mr. Antonio Pedro Monteiro Lima, Permanent Representative of Cape Verde

H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas, Permanent Representative of Luxembourg

Closing

5.45 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 March 2012, containing the concept paper and the programme, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission

2012 substantive session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 320th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Adoption of the agenda (A/CN.10/L.67)
2. Organization of work
3. General debate

3–6 p.m. . . . . 321st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate *(continued)*

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur
2. Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

Global preparatory meeting for the 2012 Annual Ministerial Review[1]

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Opening remarks:
H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia), President of the Economic and Social Council

Keynote address:
Professor Erik Brynjolfsson, Sloan School of Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Presentation by a member of the Committee for Development Policy:
Mr. José Antonio Alonso, Director, Complutense Institute of Foreign Studies and Professor of Applied Economics, Complutense University of Madrid

Interactive discussion

Panel discussion on "Promoting the implementation of the Global Jobs Pact"

Panellists:
Mr. Aurelio Parisotto, Senior Economist, Policy Integration Department, International Labour Organization Office for the United Nations, New York

Ms. Eve Crowley, Deputy Director, Gender, Equity and Rural Employment, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Mr. Degol Hailu, Senior Adviser, Poverty Practice, Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Programme

Interactive discussion

Closing session:
Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Closing remarks:
H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia), President of the Economic and Social Council

[1] All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Midori Kanda, Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268).

General Assembly

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Informal preparatory meeting

An informal preparatory meeting for the thirteenth meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea will be held *today*, 3 April 2012, from *10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.* in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

The draft format and draft agenda of the thirteenth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process, as well as draft areas of concentration for the discussion panel, which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting, have been recently forwarded via e-mail to all permanent missions and is posted on the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs <www.un.org/Depts/los>.

The advance and unedited reporting material on the topic of focus will also be posted on the Web site of the Division, as soon as available.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Twenty-ninth session

There will be closed meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today,* 3 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

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Tuesday, 3 April 2012

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

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Tuesday, 3 April 2012

High level panel discussion on the theme "Happiness and well-being" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bhutan)

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[All members of permanent missions, permanent observer missions and United Nations agencies, funds and programmes are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Yeshey Dorji, Permanent Mission of Bhutan (e-mail yesheydpenjo@gmail.com; tel. 1 (347) 821-2697).]

Consultation with Member States on "Treaty body strengthening" (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR, New York (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504); or Ms. Natacha Foucard, OHCHR, Geneva (e-mail nfoucard@ohchr.org).]

Panel discussion on "Responsibility to Protect: Looking into the Future" (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The panel is only open to Latin American and Caribbean States. For further information, please contact Mr. Jorge Tagle, Permanent Mission of Chile (e-mail jtagle@minrel.gov.cl; tel. 1 (917) 322-6810).]

Presentation on "Programme Outline for the Caribbean" (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Piero Bonadeo, UNODC (e-mail bonadeo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5634).]

Special event on the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day (2 April) (General Assembly resolution 62/139 (A/RES/62/139))

[Details on the activities on the occasion of the commemoration can be found at <www.un.org/en/events/autismday/2012/events>.]

Panel discussion on "World Autism Awareness Day: Delivering Answers through Inclusive International Collaboration" and public unveiling of the 2012 Autism Awareness Stamps by the United Nations Postal Administration (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh and Qatar; the United States Mission; and Autism Speaks)

From 4 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. Opening remarks will be delivered by the Secretary-General and the President of the General Assembly. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Cristina Gerlach, Department of Public Information (e-mail gerlachc@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8210).]

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The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

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Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

10 a.m. . . . . Ms. Eva Smets, Director, Watchlist; Ms. Yvonne Kemper, Reports Officer and author of the report, Watchlist; Ms. Nathalia Salamanca Sarmiento, Researcher, COALICO; and Mr. Christian Salazar, Deputy Director, Programme Division, UNICEF (on the new report of the Watchlist on Children and Armed Conflict entitled, "No One to Trust: Children and Armed Conflict in Colombia") [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Canada]

11.30 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser (Qatar), President of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly (on topical global issues and key upcoming events of the General Assembly)

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

12.30 p.m. . . . . H.E. Ms. Susan E. Rice (United States), President of the Security Council for the month of April (on the programme of work of the Council for the month)

2 p.m. . . . . Mr. Omar Jamal, Chargé d'affaires, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Somalia (on the outcome of London Conference)

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September.

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Informal briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, H.E. Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri (India), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold an informal briefing to interested Member States on recent developments in the work of the Counter-Terrorism Committee and CTED. The briefing will take place on Monday, 9 April 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Following the briefing, the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate will provide a thematic presentation on "Developments in the implementation of Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001) in West Africa".

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2012*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Briefing

There will be a briefing of the Economic and Social Council on Wednesday, 4 April 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on the post-2015 development agenda.

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia) and statements will be made by Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs; Mr. Selim Jahan, Director of the Poverty Group, United Nations Development Programme; Professor Frances Stewart, Chair of the Committee for Development Policy; and Professor Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, member of the Committee.

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Midori Kanda, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268).

Informal consultations

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal consultations on the themes for the humanitarian affairs segment and the Council event to discuss the issue of the transition from relief to development of the 2012 substantive session of the Council. The informal consultations will be co-chaired by the vice-presidencies of Spain and Indonesia, and will take place on Monday, 9 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Resumed organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Thursday, 26, and Friday, 27 April 2012. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2012/2/Add.1*.

The deadline for submission of candidatures, established by the Bureau of the Council, is *Friday, 6 April 2012*. Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mails sharma7@un.org and syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups.

A list of candidates for these elections, as well as supporting documentation, is available on Candiweb. The supporting documentation is also available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/docs/insessiondocs.asp>.

Commission on Population and Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Pio Wennubst, on behalf of the Chair, will be held on Thursday, 19, and Friday, 20 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Forty-fifth session

The forty-fifth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 23, to Friday, 27 April 2012. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 23 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/CN.9/2012/2 and the proposed organization of work, in document E/CN.9/2012/L.1. Background information and official documents for the session may be found at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/population/cpd/cpd2012/cpd45.htm>.

List of participants

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Wednesday, 18 April 2012*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 2 (NLB), on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers

The general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: adolescents and youth), will be held from Monday, 23, to Wednesday, 25 April 2012. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the speakers list for item 4 or other items are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *7 minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *10 minutes*. For general distribution of statements, delegations are requested to bring 200 copies to the conference officers in the room. A minimum of 30 copies is required for distribution to the interpreters, précis writers and the podium.

Election of the Bureau of the forty-sixth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-sixth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-fifth session.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on Rio+20, on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

There will be an informal consultation on the UNDP programming arrangements on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Another informal consultation on the annual report of the UNDP Administrator on preliminary results trends for 2011 will be held on Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Meeting of the pilot and self-starter countries of the "Delivering as One" initiative (organized by the Permanent Mission of Albania)

Wednesday, 4 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

Wednesday, 4 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Group of Friends of the Central African Republic

Thursday, 5 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from *11 a.m.* to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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High level panel discussion on the theme "Happiness and well-being" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bhutan)

Wednesday, 4 April 2012, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All members of permanent missions, permanent observer missions and United Nations agencies, funds and programmes are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Yeshey Dorji, Permanent Mission of Bhutan (e-mail yesheydpenjo@gmail.com; tel. 1 (347) 821-2697).]

Panel discussion in commemoration of World Health Day 2012 (7 April) on Ageing and Health — "Good health adds life to years" (organized by the World Health Organization (WHO))

Wednesday, April 4 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Angelica Spraggins, WHO Office at the United Nations (e-mail aspraggins@whoun.org; tel. 1 (646) 626-6050).]

Presentation by the Small Five Group (S-5) of the draft resolution on "Improving the working methods of the Security Council" (under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Jordan, Liechtenstein, Singapore and Switzerland)

Wednesday, 4 April 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Christine Crevoisier, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail christine.crevoisier@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (917) 289-9852).]

Briefing on "The status of implementation of the resolution A/RES/64/186 (Building connectivity through the Trans-Eurasian Information Super Highway)" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Thursday, 5 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to Member States (Second Committee experts). Fur further information, please contact Mr. Fakhri Aliyev, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail faxri_a@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 372-2559, ext. 119).]

Special event on the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day (2 April) (General Assembly resolution 62/139 (A/RES/62/139))

[Details on the activities on the occasion of the commemoration can be found at <www.un.org/en/events/autismday/2012/events>.]

Multi-media presentation and discussion "Through her eyes: A view into the challenges of raising an autistic child" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel and the Department of Public Information)

Thursday, 5 April 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please send an e-mail to the following address: autismday@newyork.mfa.gov.il.]

Panel discussion on "Good Growth and Governance in Africa: Rethinking Development Strategies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Benin and Japan)

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Japan (Mr. Nozomu Yamashita (e-mail nozomu.yamashita@mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1522); or Ms. Ikuko Shirai (e-mail ikuko.shirai@dn.mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1554)).]

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
First session
United Nations Office at Vienna

The first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from Monday, 30 April, to Friday, 11 May 2012, in Conference Room M1, United Nations Office at Vienna.

A general debate on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee will be held on Monday, 30 April, and on Wednesday, 2 May 2012. There

will be no official meeting on Tuesday, 1 May, official holiday. The list of speakers for the general debate will be open on Thursday, 5 April, from 10 a.m. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee from that date (Mr. Hong Tan, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room DN-3501B; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Members of delegations who are not already accredited to the United Nations Office at Vienna are requested to fill in the registration form annexed to "Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations" (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*), and return it to the secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan), by no later than Monday, 16 April.

States parties are also kindly requested to provide, in writing, the composition of their delegations at the session, as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April, to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Thomas Markram, UNODA (Room DN-3506, United Nations, New York, NY 10017); or to the NPT Secretariat (fax 1 (917) 367-1767). To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the information containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word or compatible format to Ms. Bertha Ortiz by e-mail (ortiz1@un.org), as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April.

Further information for participants is contained in the Information Note (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*) and is also available on the Web site of the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference <www.un.org/disarmament/WMD/Nuclear/NPT2015/PrepCom2012>.

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Overview of the Legal Library (from 3 to 4 p.m.)

Wednesday, 4 April 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 11 April 2012 *(English)*;

Wednesday, 18 April 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Wednesday, 25 April 2012 *(French)*.

Introduction to Electronic Resources (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 12 April 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Thursday, 17 April 2012.

Treaty research (from 3 to 5 p.m.)

Thursday, 19 April 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012; and

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

RSS Feeds (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012.

Social Networking 101: A User Guide to the United Nations Library's Social Media Tools (from 10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The first round of language-specific informational meetings for 2012 will be held in April, in Conference Room A (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 10 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Tuesday, 10 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 12 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 12 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-first Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1 May 2012)
<www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrc/elections31st.htm>;

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012)
<www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, including those scheduled to take place in April 2012, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 2 April 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

30th meeting — The summary of the 30th meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2012/65).

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

319th meeting

Opening of the session

The 2012 substantive session of the Disarmament Commission was opened by the Chair of the Commission.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The High Representative for Disarmament Affairs read out the message of the Secretary-General addressed to the Commission.

The High Representative for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

The Chair made a statement.

The meeting was adjourned.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Accession: Guatemala (2 April 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Algeria
H.E. Mr. Mourad Benmehidi

Asia-Pacific States:
Mongolia
H.E. Ms. Enkhtsetseg Ochir

Eastern European States:
Bulgaria
H.E. Mr. Boyan Nedialkov Belev
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guatemala
H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal

Western European and other States:
Sweden
H.E. Mr. Mårten Grunditz

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Presidency of the General Assembly
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General Assembly
<www.un.org/en/ga>

Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
<www.un.org/law/avl/>

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
<www.un.org/depts/dhl/>

International Court of Justice
<www.icj-cij.org/>

Journal of the United Nations
<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

United Nations Press Releases
<www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp>

United Nations Webcast
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Yearbook of the United Nations
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A/66/L.42	Item 117 — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Costa Rica, Jordan, Liechtenstein, Singapore and Switzerland: draft resolution — Improving the working methods of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*
	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
A/AC.109/2012/18	Dissemination of information on decolonization during the period from April 2011 to March 2012 Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*
	United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects
A/CONF.192/2012/RC/1	Report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

Security Council	Documents
S/2012/163	Note by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *79 pages*
S/2012/176	Letter dated 23 March 2012 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*
S/2012/186	Special report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire [A C E F R S] — *20 pages*

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Programme of meetings and agenda

Wednesday, 4 April 2012

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 322nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Organization of work . . . . . [3]
2. General debate

3–6 p.m. . . . . 323rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate *(continued)*

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal meeting of the plenary (closed) on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, will take place on Tuesday, 10 April 2012 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the Chair, dated 26 March 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

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General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An election will be held for the appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal, under sub-item (i) of agenda item 115 (documents A/66/664/Add.1 and A/66/682/Add.1), on Monday, 16 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

The special meeting, to establish the list of speakers for the debate in the plenary of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held from Wednesday, 20, to Friday, 22 June 2012, in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/197 of 22 December 2011, *has been postponed* to Friday, 20 April 2012, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Delegations who have not yet submitted their request for inscription on the list of speakers are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible,* their level of participation, *in writing*, and hand-delivered to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room IN-0613A). For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of National Security Personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for National Security Personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *Friday, 25 May 2012*. From Monday, 4 June 2012 onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. UN-Women
2. Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Briefing on the post-2015 development agenda

Chaired by:
H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia), President of the Economic and Social Council

Statements by:
Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Mr. Selim Jahan, Director of the Poverty Group, United Nations Development Programme

Professor Frances Stewart, Chair of the Committee for Development Policy *(by video link)*

Professor Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, member of the Committee for Development Policy *(by video link)*

Interactive discussion

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit <www.un.org/en/ecosoc>; or contact Ms. Midori Kanda, Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268).]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Twenty-ninth session

There will be closed meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 4 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 4 April 2012

Meeting of the pilot and self-starter countries of the "Delivering as One" initiative (organized by the Permanent Mission of Albania)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

Other activities

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Wednesday, 4 April 2012

High level panel discussion on the theme "Happiness and well-being" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bhutan)

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All members of permanent missions, permanent observer missions and United Nations agencies, funds and programmes are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Yeshey Dorji, Permanent Mission of Bhutan (e-mail yesheydpenjo@gmail.com; tel. 1 (347) 821-2697).]

Panel discussion in commemoration of World Health Day 2012 (7 April) on Ageing and Health — "Good health adds life to years" (organized by the World Health Organization (WHO))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Angelica Spraggins, WHO Office at the United Nations (e-mail aspraggins@whoun.org; tel. 1 (646) 626-6050).]

Presentation by the Small Five Group (S-5) of the draft resolution on "Improving the working methods of the Security Council" (under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Jordan, Liechtenstein, Singapore and Switzerland)

From 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Christine Crevoisier, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail christine.crevoisier@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (917) 289-9852).]

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Wednesday, 4 April 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guests:* Ms. Agnès Marcaillou, Director, Mine Action Service (UNMAS), Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions (OROLSI), Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO); Mr. Paul Heslop, Chief, Programme Planning and Management Section, UNMAS; and Mr. Tim Horner, Mine Action Adviser, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) (on the occasion of the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action)]

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September.

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Informal briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, H.E. Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri (India), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold an informal briefing to interested Member States on recent developments in the work of the Counter-Terrorism Committee and CTED. The briefing will take place on Monday, 9 April 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Following the briefing, the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate will provide a thematic presentation on "Developments in the implementation of Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001) in West Africa".

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2012*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal consultations on the themes for the humanitarian affairs segment and the Council event to discuss the issue of the transition from relief to development of the 2012 substantive session of the Council. The informal

consultations will be co-chaired by the vice-presidencies of Spain and Indonesia, and will take place on Monday, 9 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Resumed organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Thursday, 26, and Friday, 27 April 2012. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2012/2/Add.1*.

The deadline for submission of candidatures, established by the Bureau of the Council, is *Friday, 6 April 2012*. Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mails sharma7@un.org and syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups.

A list of candidates for these elections, as well as supporting documentation, is available on Candiweb. The supporting documentation is also available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/docs/insessiondocs.asp>.

Commission on Population and Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Pio Wennubst, on behalf of the Chair, will be held on Thursday, 19, and Friday, 20 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Forty-fifth session

The forty-fifth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 23, to Friday, 27 April 2012. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 23 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/CN.9/2012/2 and the proposed organization of work, in document E/CN.9/2012/L.1. Background information and official documents for the session may be found at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/population/cpd/cpd2012/cpd45.htm>.

List of participants

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Wednesday, 18 April 2012*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 2 (NLB), on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers

The general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: adolescents and youth), will be held from Monday, 23, to Wednesday, 25 April 2012. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the speakers list for item 4 or other items are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *7 minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *10 minutes*. For general distribution of statements, delegations are requested to bring 200 copies to the conference officers in the room. A minimum of 30 copies is required for distribution to the interpreters, précis writers and the podium.

Election of the Bureau of the forty-sixth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-sixth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-fifth session.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on Rio+20, on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

There will be an informal consultation on the UNDP programming arrangements on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Another informal consultation on the annual report of the UNDP Administrator on preliminary results trends for 2011 will be held on Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Friends of the Central African Republic

Thursday, 5 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Informal meeting for the Non-Aligned Movement members States

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Formal meeting for the Non-Aligned Movement members and observers States

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

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Briefing on "The status of implementation of the resolution A/RES/64/186 (Building connectivity through the Trans-Eurasian Information Super Highway)" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Thursday, 5 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to Member States (Second Committee experts). Fur further information, please contact Mr. Fakhri Aliyev, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail faxri_a@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 372-2559, ext. 119).]

Special event on the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day (2 April) (General Assembly resolution 62/139 (A/RES/62/139))

[Details on the activities on the occasion of the commemoration can be found at <www.un.org/en/events/autismday/2012/events>.]

Multi-media presentation and discussion "Through her eyes: A view into the challenges of raising an autistic child" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel and the Department of Public Information)

Thursday, 5 April 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please send an e-mail to the following address: autismday@newyork.mfa.gov.il.]

Panel discussion on "Good Growth and Governance in Africa: Rethinking Development Strategies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Benin and Japan)

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Japan (Mr. Nozomu Yamashita (e-mail nozomu.yamashita@mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1522); or Ms. Ikuko Shirai (e-mail ikuko.shirai@dn.mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1554)).]

Seminar on Migration and Sustainable Development (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the MacArthur Foundation)

Monday, 16 April 2012, from 3 to 5.15 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact UNITAR (Mr. Pierpaolo Capalbo (e-mail pierpaolo.capalbo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021); or Mr. Christian Mahillet (e-mail mahillet@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; room DC1-603; fax 1 (212) 963-9686)).]

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
First session
United Nations Office at Vienna

The first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from Monday, 30 April, to Friday, 11 May 2012, in Conference Room M1, United Nations Office at Vienna.

A general debate on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee will be held on Monday, 30 April, and on Wednesday, 2 May 2012. There will be no official meeting on Tuesday, 1 May, official holiday. The list of speakers for the general debate will be open on Thursday, 5 April, from 10 a.m. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee from that date (Mr. Hong Tan, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room DN-3501B; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Members of delegations who are not already accredited to the United Nations Office at Vienna are requested to fill in the registration form annexed to "Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations" (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*), and return it to the secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan), by no later than Monday, 16 April.

States parties are also kindly requested to provide, in writing, the composition of their delegations at the session, as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April, to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Thomas Markram, UNODA (Room

DN-3506, United Nations, New York, NY 10017); or to the NPT Secretariat (fax 1 (917) 367-1767). To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the information containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word or compatible format to Ms. Bertha Ortiz by e-mail (ortiz1@un.org), as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April.

Further information for participants is contained in the Information Note (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*) and is also available on the Web site of the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference <www.un.org/disarmament/WMD/Nuclear/NPT2015/PrepCom2012>.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

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Overview of the Legal Library (from 3 to 4 p.m.)

Today, 4 April 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 11 April 2012 *(English)*;

Wednesday, 18 April 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Wednesday, 25 April 2012 (*French)*.

Introduction to Electronic Resources (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 12 April 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Thursday, 17 April 2012.

Treaty research (from 3 to 5 p.m.)

Thursday, 19 April 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012; and

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

RSS Feeds (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012.

Social Networking 101: A User Guide to the United Nations Library's Social Media Tools (from 10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The first round of language-specific informational meetings for 2012 will be held in April, in Conference Room A (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 10 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Tuesday, 10 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 12 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 12 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-first Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1 May 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrc/elections31st.htm>;

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations

are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, including those scheduled to take place in April 2012, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 2 April 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

30th meeting

The Chair of the Committee called to order the 30th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Joint Inspection Unit . . . . . [140]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.29, which had been coordinated by the representative of the United Arab Emirates and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 . . . . . [134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Special subjects relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.31, which had been coordinated by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda and the Netherlands, on behalf of the Chair, and by the representative of Serbia, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services made a statement.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [132]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Accountability

The representative of Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.30.

The representative of the United States made a statement and proposed an oral amendment to replace in its entirety section II of draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.30.

The representative of Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement and requested a recorded vote on the oral amendment proposed by the representative of the United States.

Before the vote on the oral amendment to section II of the draft resolution, the representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union) and Norway made statements.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on the oral amendment proposed by the representative of the United States, which was rejected, by a recorded vote of 88 against to 47 in favour, with 5 abstentions.

The representative of the United States requested a division of draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.30, with a separate consideration of section II.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Nicaragua, New Zealand, Brazil, Argentina and the Russian Federation.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on the separation of proposals which was rejected, by a recorded vote of 91 against to 48 in favour, with 4 abstentions.

The representative of Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand) requested a recorded vote on the resolution as a whole.

The representative of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.30 as a whole, which was adopted, by a recorded vote of 93 in favour to 47 against, with 5 abstentions.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand (also on behalf of Canada and Australia), Switzerland, Norway, Cuba, Nicaragua and Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

Questions deferred for future consideration

The Committee had before it draft decision A/C.5/66/L.32 submitted by the Chair.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, draft decision A/C.5/66/L.32.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the first part of the resumed sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

The representatives of the United States and Eritrea made statements.

The Chair of the Committee made a concluding statement.

Tuesday, 3 April 2012

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

320th meeting — *Adoption of the agenda*

The Chair made a statement.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

The Chair made a statement.

321st meeting — *Adoption of the agenda*

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Norway, Indonesia (in its national capacity and on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Kingdom, the United States and the Russian Federation.

The Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its 2012 substantive session, as contained in document A/CN.10/L.67, on the understanding that once agreement has been reached on items 4 and 5, the titles will be inserted and the document will be re-issued as document A/CN.10/L.67/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Organization of work

The Commission elected the representative of Algeria (from the Group of African States) and the representative of Mexico (from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States) as Vice-Chairs.

The Commission decided to defer to a later date the election of a Vice-Chair and Rapporteur from the Group of Asia and Pacific States.

General debate

The Commission heard statements by the representatives of Chile (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States), Japan, Algeria, Poland and the Republic of Korea.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Accession: Mauritania (3 April 2012)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Accession: Mauritania (3 April 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General Information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Algeria
H.E. Mr. Mourad Benmehidi

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Bulgaria
H.E. Mr. Boyan Nedialkov Belev
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guatemala
H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal

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Sweden
H.E. Mr. Mårten Grunditz

Security Council

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<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
<www.un.org/law/avl/>

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
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International Court of Justice
<www.icj-cij.org/>

Journal of the United Nations
<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

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A/RES/66/143	Item 67 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Inadmissibility of certain practices that contribute to fuelling contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*
A/RES/66/171	Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*
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A/RES/66/225	Item 61 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
	Sixty-seventh session
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S/2012/187	**Identical letters dated 30 March 2012 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages***
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Official meetings

Thursday, 5 April 2012

Security Council

9.45 a.m. . . . . 6746th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary *today*, 5 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to hear a briefing by the Joint Special Envoy of the United Nations and the League of Arab States, H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan, on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and the progress of his mission. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 April 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Member States are invited to attend at the ambassadorial level.

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General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal meeting of the plenary (closed) on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, will take place on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the Chair, dated 26 March 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

A thematic debate on "Addressing Excessive Price Volatility in Food and Related Financial and Commodity Markets" will be held on Wednesday, 11 April 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 April 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

A thematic debate on "Disaster Risk Reduction" will be held on Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 March 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An election will be held for the appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal, under sub-item (i) of agenda item 115 (documents A/66/664/Add.1 and A/66/682/Add.1), on Monday, 16 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

The special meeting, to establish the list of speakers for the debate in the plenary of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held from Wednesday, 20, to Friday, 22 June 2012, in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/197 of 22 December 2011, ***has been postponed*** to Friday, 20 April 2012, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Delegations who have not yet submitted their request for inscription on the list of speakers are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, their level of participation, *in writing*, and hand-delivered to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room IN-0613A). For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of National Security Personnel

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General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

9.30–11 a.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room D (NLB)
11 a.m.–1 p.m.	324th meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)
	1. Organization of work	[3]
	2. General debate *(continued)*	
3–6 p.m.	325th meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)
	General debate *(continued)*	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. Office of Internal Oversight Services
2. Executive meeting

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Twenty-ninth session

There will be closed meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 5 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Thursday, 5 April 2012

General Assembly

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development" (under agenda item 63) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the United Republic of Tanzania)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Other meetings

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Thursday, 5 April 2012

Group of Friends of the Central African Republic

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters) (at the ambassadorial level)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Arab Group (Second and Third Committee experts)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

Other activities

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Thursday, 5 April 2012

Briefing on "The status of implementation of the resolution A/RES/64/186 (Building connectivity through the Trans-Eurasian Information Super Highway)" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

At 10 a.m. in *Conference Room 5 (NLB)*.

[The briefing is open to Member States (Second Committee experts). Fur further information, please contact Mr. Fakhri Aliyev, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail faxri_a@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 371-2559, ext. 119).]

Special event on the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day (2 April) (General Assembly resolution 62/139 (A/RES/62/139))

[Details on the activities on the occasion of the commemoration can be found at <www.un.org/en/events/autismday/2012/events>.]

Multi-media presentation and discussion "Through her eyes: A view into the challenges of raising an autistic child" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel and the Department of Public Information)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please send an e-mail to the following address: autismday@newyork.mfa.gov.il.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Thursday, 5 April 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

11 a.m. . . . . Launch of the report of the Population Division, Department of Economic of Social Affairs (DESA), entitled "World Urbanization Prospects" [*Participants:* Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, DESA; and Mr. Gerhard Heilig, Chief, Population Estimates and Projections Section, DESA] [*Moderator:* Ms. Pragati Pascale, Chief, Strategic Communications Division, Department of Public Information (DPI)]

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

2 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Faustin-Archange Touadéra, Prime Minister of the Central African Republic; and Ms. Margaret Vogt, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in the Central African Republic (BINUCA) (on the meeting of the Group of Friends of the Central African Republic)

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September.

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

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Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 9 April 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

3 p.m. . . . . 104th plenary meeting[1] . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/66/638/Add.1)[2] . . . . . [132]
2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013: report of the Fifth Committee (A/66/637/Add.1)[2] . . . . . [134]
3. Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Fifth Committee (A/66/761)[2] . . . . . [140]

[1]The General Assembly will also pay tribute to the memory of His Majesty King George Tupou V (the Fifth) of the Kingdom of Tonga.
[2]To be issued.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

Informal briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, H.E. Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri (India), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold an informal briefing to interested Member States on recent developments in the work of the Counter-Terrorism Committee and CTED. The briefing will take place on Monday, 9 April 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Following the briefing, the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate will provide a thematic presentation on "Developments in the implementation of Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001) in West Africa".

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the

Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2012*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Organizational Committee

An informal meeting (closed) of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Burundi configuration

An informal meeting of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal consultations on the themes for the humanitarian affairs segment and the Council event to discuss the issue of the transition from relief to development of the 2012 substantive session of the Council. The informal consultations will be co-chaired by the vice-presidencies of Spain and Indonesia, and will take place on Monday, 9 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Resumed organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Thursday, 26, and Friday, 27 April 2012. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2012/2/Add.1*.

The deadline for submission of candidatures, established by the Bureau of the Council, is *Friday, 6 April 2012*. Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mails sharma7@un.org and syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups.

A list of candidates for these elections, as well as supporting documentation, is available on Candiweb. The supporting documentation is also available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/docs/insessiondocs.asp>.

Commission on Population and Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Pio Wennubst, on behalf of the Chair, will be held on Thursday, 19, and Friday, 20 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Forty-fifth session

The forty-fifth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 23, to Friday, 27 April 2012. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 23 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/CN.9/2012/2 and the proposed organization of work, in document E/CN.9/2012/L.1. Background information and official documents for the session may be found at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/population/cpd/cpd2012/cpd45.htm>.

List of participants

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Wednesday, 18 April 2012*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 2 (NLB), on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers

The general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: adolescents and youth), will be held from Monday, 23, to Wednesday, 25 April 2012. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the speakers list for item 4 or other items are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *7 minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *10 minutes*. For general distribution of statements, delegations are requested to bring 200 copies to the conference officers in the room. A minimum of 30 copies is required for distribution to the interpreters, précis writers and the podium.

Election of the Bureau of the forty-sixth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-sixth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-fifth session.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on Rio+20, on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

There will be an informal consultation on the UNDP programming arrangements on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Another informal consultation on the annual report of the UNDP Administrator on preliminary results trends for 2011 will be held on Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Informal meeting for the Non-Aligned Movement members States

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Formal meeting for the Non-Aligned Movement members and observers States

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 8.45 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Panel discussion on "Good Growth and Governance in Africa: Rethinking Development Strategies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Benin and Japan)

Monday, 9 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Japan (Mr. Nozomu Yamashita (e-mail nozomu.yamashita@mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1522); or Ms. Ikuko Shirai (e-mail ikuko.shirai@dn.mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1554)).]

Special events on the occasion of the annual commemoration of the Rwanda genocide (organized by the Outreach Programme on the Rwanda Genocide and the United Nations, Department of Public Information, in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Rwanda)

[Please *click here* for more details on the activities on the occasion of the commemoration.]

Memorial ceremony

Wednesday, 11 April 2012, at 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Discussion and screening of the documentary "Sweet Dreams"

Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 6.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Martina Volpe Donlon, DPI (e-mail donlon@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6816).]

Briefing on "Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine (GUAM))

Thursday, 12 April 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited. Fur further information, please contact Mr. Javid Nasirli, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail javidaz@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 738-6264, ext. 109).]

Seminar on Migration and Sustainable Development (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the MacArthur Foundation)

Monday, 16 April 2012, from 3 to 5.15 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact UNITAR (Mr. Pierpaolo Capalbo (e-mail pierpaolo.capalbo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021); or Mr. Christian Mahillet (e-mail mahillet@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; room DC1-603; fax 1 (212) 963-9686)).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
First session
United Nations Office at Vienna

The first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from Monday, 30 April, to Friday, 11 May 2012, in Conference Room M1, United Nations Office at Vienna.

A general debate on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee will be held on Monday, 30 April, and on Wednesday, 2 May 2012. There will be no official meeting on Tuesday, 1 May, official holiday. The list of speakers for the general debate will be open *today*, 5 April 2012, from 10 a.m. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee from that date (Mr. Hong Tan, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room DN-3501B; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Members of delegations who are not already accredited to the United Nations Office at Vienna are requested to fill in the registration form annexed to "Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations" (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*), and return it to the secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan), by no later than Monday, 16 April.

States parties are also kindly requested to provide, in writing, the composition of their delegations at the session, as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April, to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Thomas Markram, UNODA (Room DN-3506, United Nations, New York, NY 10017); or to the NPT Secretariat (fax 1 (917) 367-1767). To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the information containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word or compatible format to Ms. Bertha Ortiz by e-mail (ortiz1@un.org), as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April.

Further information for participants is contained in the Information Note (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*) and is also available on the Web site of the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference <www.un.org/disarmament/WMD/Nuclear/NPT2015/PrepCom2012>.

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 11 April 2012 *(English)*;

Wednesday, 18 April 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Wednesday, 25 April 2012 (*French)*.

Introduction to Electronic Resources (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 12 April 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Thursday, 17 April 2012.

Treaty research (from 3 to 5 p.m.)

Thursday, 19 April 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012; and

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

RSS Feeds (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012.

Social Networking 101: A User Guide to the United Nations Library's Social Media Tools (from 10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The first round of language-specific informational meetings for 2012 will be held in April, in Conference Room A (NLB), *unless otherwise indicated*, according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 10 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: Chinese (Conference Room AB-707)

Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 12 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 12 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-first Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1 May 2012)
<www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrc/elections31st.htm>;

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012)
<www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, including those scheduled to take place in April 2012, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 4 April 2012

Security Council

6745th meeting — *Peace and security in Africa*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Mali, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2012/9).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Mali.

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

322nd meeting — *Organization of work* . . . . . [3]

The Chair made a statement.

The meeting was suspended.

General debate

The meeting was resumed.

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission heard statements by the representatives of Indonesia (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of African States), Brazil, Benin and Kazakhstan.

The Chair made a statement.

323rd meeting — *General debate*

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission heard statements by the representatives of France, Cuba, Sweden, Russian Federation, Egypt, Norway, Australia, United Kingdom, Viet Nam, Switzerland, United States, Nigeria, Nepal, Pakistan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India and Indonesia.

Statements were made in right of reply by the representatives of Republic of Korea and Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations. Rome, 26 October 1961

Accession: Kazakhstan (30 March 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Algeria
H.E. Mr. Mourad Benmehidi

Asia-Pacific States:
Mongolia
H.E. Ms. Enkhtsetseg Ochir

Eastern European States:
Bulgaria
H.E. Mr. Boyan Nedialkov Belev
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guatemala
H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal

Western European and other States:
Sweden
H.E. Mr. Mårten Grunditz

Security Council

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Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

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Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
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A/RES/66/162 Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Subregional Centre for Human Rights and Democracy in Central Africa [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

A/RES/66/177 Item 107 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Strengthening international cooperation in combating the harmful effects of illicit financial flows resulting from criminal activities [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

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A/RES/66/213 Item 22 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

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Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Eleventh session

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Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

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Seventeenth meeting

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3. Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Fifth Committee (A/66/761) . . . . . [140]

[1]The General Assembly will also pay tribute to the memory of His Majesty King George Tupou V of the Kingdom of Tonga.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

3 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

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General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal meeting of the plenary (closed) on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, will take place on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the Chair, dated 26 March 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

A thematic debate on "Addressing Excessive Price Volatility in Food and Related Financial and Commodity Markets" will be held on Wednesday, 11 April 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 April 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

A thematic debate on "Disaster Risk Reduction" will be held on Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 March 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal meeting of the plenary on the most efficient modalities for the intergovernmental follow-up process of the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development will take place on Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 4 April 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An election will be held for the appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal, under sub-item (i) of agenda item 115 (documents A/66/664/Add.1 and A/66/682/Add.1), on Monday, 16 April 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

The special meeting, to establish the list of speakers for the debate in the plenary of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held from Wednesday, 20, to Friday, 22 June 2012, in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/197 of 22 December 2011, *has been postponed* to Friday, 20 April 2012, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Delegations who have not yet submitted their request for inscription on the list of speakers are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, their level of participation, *in writing*, and hand-delivered to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room IN-0613A). For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of National Security Personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for National Security Personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *Friday, 25 May 2012*. From Monday, 4 June 2012 onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

Working Group I

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Working Group II

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. United Nations Support Office for AMISOM
2. Executive meeting

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Twenty-ninth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Informal briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, H.E. Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri (India), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold an informal briefing to interested Member States on recent developments in the work of the Counter-Terrorism Committee and CTED. The briefing will take place on *Monday, 9 April 2012*, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Following the briefing, the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate will provide a thematic presentation on "Developments in the implementation of Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001) in West Africa".

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal consultations on the themes for the humanitarian affairs segment and the Council event to discuss the issue of the transition from relief to development of the 2012 substantive session of the Council. The informal consultations will be co-chaired by the vice-presidencies of Spain and Indonesia, and will take place on *Monday, 9 April 2012*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Other meetings

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Monday, 9 April 2012

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Informal meeting for the Non-Aligned Movement members States

3–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Formal meeting for the Non-Aligned Movement members and observers States

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Other activities

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Monday, 9 April 2012

Panel discussion on "Good Growth and Governance in Africa: Rethinking Development Strategies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Benin and Japan)

From 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Japan (Mr. Nozomu Yamashita (e-mail nozomu.yamashita@mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1522); or Ms. Ikuko Shirai (e-mail ikuko.shirai@dn.mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1554)).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Monday, 9 April 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September.

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2012*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Organizational Committee

An informal meeting (closed) of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in *Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)*.

Guinea-Bissau configuration

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 11.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Burundi configuration

An informal meeting of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Thursday, 26, and Friday, 27 April 2012. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2012/2/Add.1*.

The deadline for submission of candidatures, established by the Bureau of the Council, is *today*, 6 April 2012. Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mails sharma7@un.org and syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups.

A list of candidates for these elections, as well as supporting documentation, is available on Candiweb. The supporting documentation is also available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/docs/insessiondocs.asp>.

Commission on Population and Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Pio Wennubst, on behalf of the Chair, will be held on Thursday, 19, and Friday, 20 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Forty-fifth session

The forty-fifth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 23, to Friday, 27 April 2012. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 23 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/CN.9/2012/2 and the proposed organization of work, in document E/CN.9/2012/L.1. Background information and official documents for the session may be found at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/population/cpd/cpd2012/cpd45.htm>.

List of participants

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Wednesday, 18 April 2012*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 2 (NLB), on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers

The general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: adolescents and youth), will be held from Monday, 23, to Wednesday, 25 April 2012. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the speakers list for item 4 or other items are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *7 minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *10 minutes*. For general distribution of statements, delegations are requested to bring 200 copies to the conference officers in the room. A minimum of 30 copies is required for distribution to the interpreters, précis writers and the podium.

Election of the Bureau of the forty-sixth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-sixth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-fifth session.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-second session
Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-second session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 26 April 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB), for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2012/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2012/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2012/L.2).

Further information on the Committee for Programme and Coordination is available at following Web site <www.un.org/en/ga/cpc/>.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (room L-320; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

Member States which are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission, the composition of their delegations to the secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on Rio+20, on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

There will be an informal consultation on the UNDP programming arrangements on Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Another informal consultation on the annual report of the UNDP Administrator on preliminary results trends for 2011 will be held on Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 8.45 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

African Group (on Second Committee matters)

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB); and

Wednesday, 11 April 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 11 April 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

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Special events on the occasion of the annual commemoration of the Rwanda genocide (7 April) (organized by the Outreach Programme on the Rwanda Genocide and the United Nations, Department of Public Information, in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Rwanda)

[Please *click here* for more details on the activities on the occasion of the commemoration.]

Memorial ceremony

Wednesday, 11 April 2012, at 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Discussion and screening of the documentary "Sweet Dreams"

Thursday, 12 April 2012, at 6.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Martina Volpe Donlon, DPI (e-mail donlon@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6816).]

Briefing on "Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine (GUAM))

Thursday, 12 April 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Javid Nasirli, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail javidaz@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 738-6264, ext. 109).]

Seminar on Migration and Sustainable Development (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the MacArthur Foundation)

Monday, 16 April 2012, from 3 to 5.15 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact UNITAR (Mr. Pierpaolo Capalbo (e-mail pierpaolo.capalbo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021); or Mr. Christian Mahillet (e-mail mahillet@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; room DC1-603; fax 1 (212) 963-9686)).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
First session
United Nations Office at Vienna

The first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from Monday, 30 April, to Friday, 11 May 2012, in Conference Room M1, United Nations Office at Vienna.

A general debate on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee will be held on Monday, 30 April, and on Wednesday, 2 May 2012. There will be no official meeting on Tuesday, 1 May, official holiday. The list of speakers for the general debate *is open*. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee from that date (Mr. Hong Tan, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room DN-3501B; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Members of delegations who are not already accredited to the United Nations Office at Vienna are requested to fill in the registration form annexed to "Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations" (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*), and return it to the secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan), by no later than Monday, 16 April.

States parties are also kindly requested to provide, in writing, the composition of their delegations at the session, as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April, to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Thomas Markram, UNODA (Room DN-3506, United Nations, New York, NY 10017); or to the NPT Secretariat (fax 1 (917) 367-1767). To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the information containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word or compatible format to Ms. Bertha Ortiz by e-mail (ortiz1@un.org), as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 April.

Further information for participants is contained in the Information Note (NPT/CONF.2015/PC.I/INF/2*) and is also available on the Web site of the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference <www.un.org/disarmament/WMD/Nuclear/NPT2015/PrepCom2012>.

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 11 April 2012 *(English)*;

Wednesday, 18 April 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Wednesday, 25 April 2012 *(French)*.

Introduction to Electronic Resources (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 12 April 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Thursday, 17 April 2012.

Treaty research (from 3 to 5 p.m.)

Thursday, 19 April 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012; and

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

RSS Feeds (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 April 2012.

Social Networking 101: A User Guide to the United Nations Library's Social Media Tools (from 10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Thursday, 26 April 2012.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The first round of language-specific informational meetings for 2012 will be held in April, in Conference Room A (NLB), *unless otherwise indicated*, according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 10 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese (Conference Room AB-707)*

Wednesday, 11 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 12 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 12 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-first Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1 May 2012)
<www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrc/elections31st.htm>;

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012)
<www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, including those scheduled to take place in April 2012, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 5 April 2012

Security Council

6746th meeting — *The situation in the Middle East*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2012/10).

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2012 substantive session

324th meeting — *Organization of work* . . . . . [3]

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission decided that item 4 of the provisional agenda, contained in document A/CN.10/L.67, will read as "Recommendations for achieving the objective of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation of nuclear weapons". It also decided that item 5 will read as "Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional weapons". The provisional agenda was adopted as revised and will be issued in document A/C.10/L.67/Rev.1.

The Commission heard statements by the representatives of Indonesia, United States, Norway and France.

The Commission elected Mr. Naif bin Bandar Al-Sudairy (Saudi Arabia) as Chair of the Working Group 1 on "Recommendations for achieving the objective of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation of nuclear weapons".

325th meeting — *General debate*

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission heard statements by the representatives of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Ecuador.

Organization of work . . . . . [3]

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission heard statements by the representatives of Cuba, Morocco, Algeria, India, the United States, Norway, Sweden, Poland, Spain, Italy, Egypt, the United Kingdom, Indonesia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Japan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Commission adopted the programme of work contained in document A/CN.10/2012/CRP.1, as revised.

The Commission elected Ms. Véronique Pepin-Hallé (Canada) as Chair of Working Group 2 on "Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional weapons".

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Algeria
H.E. Mr. Mourad Benmehidi

Asia-Pacific States:
Mongolia
H.E. Ms. Enkhtsetseg Ochir

Eastern European States:
Bulgaria
H.E. Mr. Boyan Nedialkov Belev
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guatemala
H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal

Western European and other States:
Sweden
H.E. Mr. Mårten Grunditz

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

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